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TO AMEMBASSY FREETOWN

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFLE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:PORC, PFOR, SL, LI

SUBJECT:MANO RIVER UNION

REF: A) FREETOWN 1053; B) MONROVIA 2474

1. U.S. POLICY PRESENTLY PRECLUDES DIRECT U.S. PARTICIPATION IN MOST PROJECTS BEING PROPOSED BY MANO RIVER UNION (MRU). AID DIRECTIVES SET DOWN BY CONGRESS CALL FOR EMPHASIS ON FOOD PRODUCTION, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING, AND EDUCATION PROJECTS. MRU PROPOSALS TO DATE HAVE LARGELY BEEN OUTSIDE THESE CATEGORIES. HOWEVER, RICE STORAGE TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN PROJECT PROPOSED IN 1975 IS BEING REDESIGNED AT PRESENT AND MAY PROVE VIABLE.

2. SUGGEST THAT IN DISCUSSING MRU WITH YOUR CONTACTS YOUNOTE USG POLICY STRONGLY FAVORS COOPERATION AMONG AFRICAN NEIGHBORS. WHEN DR. BRIGHT, MRU SEC GEN, CALLED ON ME  
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FEBRUARY 5 I EXPRESSED USG SUPPORT OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION

OF WEST AFRICAN ECONOMIES AND EFFORTS OF UNION TO INCREASE  
ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN GOSL AND GOL. US HAS ALREADY  
PROVIDED SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION  
OF MANO RIVER BRIDGE THROUGH AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

3. AMBASSADOR CARTER HAS SEEN REFTELS AND IS AWARE BASIC  
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